

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/776,820	STARR ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Shane Bomar	3672	

All Participants:

Status of Application: Allowed

(1) Shane Bomar.

(3) _____

(2) Melody Wirz.

(4) _____

Date of Interview: 16 February 2007

Time: 12pm

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No
 If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:
None

Claims discussed:
1, 28, 29, and 32

Prior art documents discussed:
none

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:
See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

 (Examiner/SPE Signature)

 (Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The Examiner contacted Attorney Wirz in response to the amendments made to the independent claims. It was suggested that the preconfigured segments or divisions needed to be tied into the event of fracturing and disposing of the tool. It was agreed to remove the word "fractures" from claim 1 and replace it with --is purposely fractured along the preconfigured divisions-- to tie the two concepts together. It was agreed to amend the remaining independent claims accordingly, with minor modifications made according to the individual claim. All changes were agreed to be made via Examiner's Amendment.